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## Violent Reduction IN PRICES OF DRY GOODS

Heavy Gray Twill Flannel, 12 1/2  
Heavy Red Twill Flannel, 20  
Heavy Mix Red Flannel, 15  
Good Bed Comforts, 60  
4 1/2 All-wool Blankets, 2.90  
Nice White Blankets, 90  
Horse Blankets, one sloap, 60  
Ladies' Merino Vests, 25  
Men's Heavy Mix Shirts &  
Drawers, 40, worth 60  
Ladies' Rib Union Hose, 6

An elegant stock of Ladies' Cloaks, Wraps and Jackets at topsy-turvy prices.

A. LYNCH.

## The Fall Stock NOW OPEN

AT

H. J. GILLEN'S.

## THE FALL SEASON

Has begun in earnest at this old, Reliable House, with a stock in proportion truly enormous. The

## DRESS GOODS STOCK

Is a Marvel of Excellence,

And is particularly interesting just now with its great assortment of

Silks, Velvets,

And all the New and Fashionable Fabrics and Colorings

For Fall Wear.

This stock must be seen to be appreciated; and in spite of the recent advances in the wholesale market, there will be

NO ADVANCE IN PRICES.

H. J. GILLEN.  
LIVERY AND FEED STABLE  
AND HACK LINE.

150. TELEPHONE. 150.

PETER EGAN

Would respectfully announce to the citizens of Ottawa and vicinity that he has one of the choicest Livery Stocks in the city. At the City Stables, such as

The Latest Styles of Hacks, Carriages and Buggies,

To let at prices to suit the times. Parties, Weddings, Funerals, Picnics, etc., supplied with good rigs on short notice. Funerals in the country or adjoining towns promptly attended to. Persons taken to or from the depot, or to the country, night or day.

Remember the place—on Madison street, east of depot, one block west of new court house.

Don't fail to get prices and see Holiday Goods at City Drug Store.

Stiefel's easy fitting overalls are sold by the best dealers in all the towns around Ottawa.

For chapped hands, face and lips, use Kaloderma. 25 cents, of E. Y. Griggs.

Griggs' Glycerine Salve.  
The best on earth can truly be said of Griggs' Glycerine Salve, which is a sure cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds, and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Try this wonder healer. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. For sale by E. Y. Griggs.

### The Slaughter Begun.

The cloak sale at H. J. Gillen's has been one of marked success this fall and winter. It has, indeed, been phenomenal in its rapidity of sales. All have been delighted with the garments, which, with the low prices, fully accounts for the rapidity of sales. The demand has by no means ceased, nor is the stock broken; nevertheless the usual winter reduction sale has begun, and we can confidently announce that all who wish an elegant mantle, or the finest silk plush garment, or the intermediate or lower priced goods will find in this stock bargains that are simply unapproachable by any other house.

In all other departments the house offers bargains—not only advertises them, but offers them to buyers—particularly in the way of flannels, blankets, and all kinds of red goods. Low prices also in the dress goods department, and, in fact, in all parts of the house.

All promises of this house are met to the letter and spirit. Low prices are promised—they will be given, for the enormous winter stock must be moved within a very few weeks. It is by far the best, as it is the largest, in the country, and enormous sales will be necessary to break its completeness; yet this must be done quickly and prices will be made to do it.

Perfumes and perfume cases form a special feature in our stock. We have laid in an elegant assortment of cut glass goods in unique cases, and there scarcely could be a more appropriate Christmas present for a lady friend. Call and examine this line.

LUTZ & BRIGGS.

### For Holiday Trade.

H. A. Butler's stock of fancy groceries is unsurpassed outside Chicago. Nuts, raisins, macaroons, orange wafers, boneless sardines, bottle goods, olives, pickles, table sauces, etc., etc., in endless varieties; also fancy china and glassware. Hanging lamps at lower prices than the lowest. Call and see him.

French's is headquarters for furs, gloves, mittens and underwear.

R. H. Trask makes a specialty of fitting fine spectacles with his patent dioptric eye meter. La Salle street, opposite Armory block.

The new deputies of Sheriff Morrissey will be Capt. E. H. Smith, in charge of the office; Col. R. C. Stevens, court room deputy; Mr. Reed, of La Salle, and Messrs. Yockey and Riordan outside.

In the Methodist church Rev. Bishop S. M. Merrill, D.D., L. L. D., of the Methodist Episcopal church, will preach next Sunday morning and evening. Bishop Merrill, in his episcopal tours has been around the world, and held conferences on each of the five continents.

### The Knife

Is a dangerous weapon, and when it strikes animate objects the spark of life goes out. Figuratively speaking, Alschuler commenced this week to drive the knife clear to the hilt in prices for the holidays. Parties buying complete suits and in quantities for a family will get a large discount. The name and fame of Alschuler, who is the pioneer clothier of this city, occupy a niche in the esteem and respect of the people that is hard to be reached, and this position of trustworthiness can be accounted for only from the fact that he does as he agrees to, and keeps his word in every respect.

Everything neat and pleasant, goods the best and most fashionable; such is the state of things at Alschuler's. Not an article of wearing apparel on his shelves that is shopworn or purchased at bankrupt sales. Remember the place—the sign of the Rocky Mountain goat, west of the court house. Always ready and willing to show goods.

FOR SALE.—Essex hogs and Short Horn bull calves.

W. J. NEELY,  
Ottawa, Ill.

Pocket books and pocket knives in immense variety. We think our stock is the largest and most complete to be found, and are offering extraordinary inducements.

LUTZ & BRIGGS.

### Twenty Years Ago

The 13th of this month, we took possession of the store we now occupy. Twenty years uninterrupted business in one location is a pretty thorough guarantee of our business principles. In all these years but few of those who have bought goods of us have changed places of trading, and to our many kind patrons we extend our hearty thanks for past favors, and will spare no pains to merit a continuance of their valued patronage. And to all those who, from whatever cause, may have gone elsewhere, we would be pleased to renew our business acquaintance, and will endeavor to merit your confidence in every way in future, and guarantee entire satisfaction. We will endeavor, by square dealing, to merit a share of the trade of all buying goods in this market, and in all cases give reliable goods at *real* rock prices.

J. MCGAFFIN.

The new patrol wagon will be on the streets next week. It is a "beauty," and a credit to the enterprising shop (Hill & Formals) which made it, for it can be placed for comparison alongside of the best work in the world, and hold its own for perfect workmanship or beauty of design and finish.

The board of supervisors meets on Monday next.

The city council meets on Tuesday evening next. Bills must be in the hands of the committee on Monday.

### New Firm.

Messrs. Williams & Tucker, having purchased the stock and good will of the old established implement house of F. D. Sweetser & Co., will continue the business at the old stand, postoffice block, and will be pleased to meet all who buy farm implements, seeds, wagons, sleds, cutters, or sewing machines. Their stock will always be complete and their terms reasonable.

### The Great Growth

Of W. H. Hull & Co.'s dry goods business, as everybody knows by this time, has compelled the firm to enlarge their capacity for accommodating the constantly increasing voices of goods that daily arrive. The wisdom of their opening their "Madison street" store has already been proven by their sales in the particular kind of goods for which the new department was opened for exhibiting. Not only are they enabled to show their cloaks in the best possible light, but can pass their customers in quick succession from cloaks to upholstering and curtains, rugs and underwear. For many years this house has been in our midst and conducted on unequalled business in point of volume, quality and seasonable goods. It has come to pass that for standard and reliable goods Hull & Co. are in the lead.—*Republican*.

### Legal Blanks.

A full line of Legal Blanks of the most approved forms at Lorriaux's.

Overcoats to suit everybody at Stiefel's, and at the lowest prices. It will pay you to call on

The best assortment of hoods we ever had.

AT HULL'S.

Joe Murphy.

The popular Irish comedian, Joseph Murphy, will occupy the Opera House on Thursday evening, Dec. 9th, presenting his great Irish drama, "The Kerry Gow," with Mr. Murphy in the role of Dan O'Hara.

The play and Mr. Murphy's performance are so familiar to Ottawa theatre goers that extended comment is scarcely called for at this time. Mr. Murphy is acknowledged by both press and public to be the greatest Irish comedian and vocalist in the world. He is always sure to be greeted with a crowded house in Ottawa, as those who have seen him will certainly see him again, and those who have not seen should not miss this opportunity.

Seats were put on sale this morning at Simon's music store, and those wanting good seats should secure them at once.

### Where to Go.

In looking around making your selections for Christmas presents, for something elegant and very suitable, you should by all means visit R. H. Trask and inspect his immense stock. It comprises ladies' and gents' gold watches, diamonds of the purest water, gold-headed canes, opera glasses, jewelry, silverware, Leroy W. Fairchild's gold pens, the finest made, and all selling at unheard of low prices. Come and see them. La Salle street, opposite Armory block.

R. H. TRASK.

Buy Clark's Candy. It is immense. Money can be saved by buying your clothing at

M. STIEFEL'S.

An attempt to rob one of Fiske & Beem's tailors was made by foot-pads on Sunday night at the Columbus street bridge. To escape he ran up the tow-path and attempted to cross the canal on the ice, but fell into the open path cut by a boat. He was rescued by workmen of the Rock Island depot and Mike Carr of the bus line.

See those all-wool overcoats at Stiefel's at \$10, the best goods ever offered for the money.

The next Boat Club Party takes place at the Armory on next Monday evening.

More new plush cloaks at Hull's to-day.

Money to loan on farm property.

R. F. LINCOLN, OTTAWA, ILL.

"The Climax."  
Known all over the world to be the best Cook Stove manufactured. For further proof ask your friends who have used it.

MANLEY & JORDAN.

### Auction Sales.

Clark B. Moss will have a sale of cattle, hogs, hay, implements, at his residence in Farm Ridge township, Dec. 7th.

On Dec. 8th Abner Strawn, a few miles west of Ottawa, will have a sale of highbred shorthorn cattle, pure bred sheep, horses, &c. Michael Conway will have a sale of stock farm produce and implements, at his residence one mile north of Ottawa, on Dec. 15.

Clark makes the best Candy in La Salle county.

Try a pair of those ladies' calf button shoes, just the thing for this cold weather, at

WERNER'S.

Fine white and colored bordered handkerchiefs, for holiday presents, at Oak Hall.

Window glass, all sizes, at Chas. M. Forbes.

Elegant fasciators—all colors and prices at Hull's.

The Stiefel overall factory has shut down for repairs and the introduction of further new machines. The success of this factory has been phenomenal, and will eventually, if not soon, become a great factory, should its present rate of enlargement be kept up.

Clark's Candy.

Men's rubber boots, grain and kip boots, big assortment, which will be sold cheap for cash, at

H. G. WERNER'S.

For the holidays, at Oak Hall, elegant styles of silk and cashmere mufflers, cheap. Comforters. All kinds, ready made and to order at Hull's.

### Something New.

The firm of Scott Bros. & Co. are always on the alert for the newest things out. They have made arrangements for a large choice lot of premiums—something suitable for Christmas gifts—handsome and attractive, and something that will be appreciated by every lady. For further information call at

SCOTT BROS. & CO'S.

Scott Bros. & Co. have commenced their great December or holiday sale. Every department is crowded with new goods.

Those elegant oil paintings of La Salle county scenery, heretofore mentioned, are expected to arrive in a few days from the hands of their special artists. These paintings are among the premiums now being offered by the popular firm of Scott Bros. & Co.

Closing out of three large lots of shoes, Scott Bros. & Co.'s shoe department.

110 pairs ladies' fine shoes; regular prices \$3.50, \$3.00, \$2.75 and \$2.50. Choice of this lot for \$1.95.

150 pairs ladies' finest kid shoes; regular prices \$4.50 to \$5.00. Choice of these for \$5.50.

All these are strictly first class.

SCOTT BROS. & CO.

The Irish American Club will give a reception and party at White's hotel next Friday evening, Dec. 10th, from 8:30 to 12:30 o'clock, after which will be supper. Grand entry at 8:30 sharp. Willis' orchestra will furnish music. This is the first of a series of parties contemplated by the Club during the winter months, and a pleasant time awaits those who attend.

The most complete assortment of rubber goods in the city is at

D. LEAHY'S.

Wait for C. M. Forbes' Christmas goods. He has just made a contract with Santa Claus for an immense stock. Forbes' is headquarters for toys.

Startling Intelligence!—A City Alarmed!  
The city is in a state of excitement at the news that you can get a suit of fine tailor-made clothes for \$15 at Oak Hall, the One Price Clothing House, north of Court House.

Felt Shoes, Slippers and Artic Overshoes at J. Megaffin's.

Shaw's combination roasted coffee makes a fine morning drink. Always fresh.

Shaw's Pennsylvania buckwheat is finer this year than ever before. Try it.

Pure maple syrup, \$1.20 per gallon, at Shaw's.

### F. H. Bestman.

On Main street, Kneuss's block, is in raptures over the immense stock of furniture that fills two stores and a basement. And still there's more goods arriving. There are elegant parlor and bedroom sets in plush, velvet, &c., tables, secretaries, settees, &c., &c. Prices, we think, are the lowest in the city. Give him a call.

Roberts Bros. serve the best lunch for the money in the city, and the best oyster stew to be found anywhere.

We carry a full line of felt boots at prices to suit the times. If in need of any call and inspect our goods.

D. LEAHY.

Silk umbrellas, suitable for holiday presents, at Oak Hall, north of Court House.

### Special Sale.

Miss A. D. Brady, the fashionable milliner, is making a clean sweep of her millinery stock for the next 10 days. Hats from 25c and upwards. Old ladies' bonnets reduced to \$2.75, former price \$5. Elegant trimmed hats, \$1.50 and upwards. Children's hats and woolen goods for children very cheap. A magnificent line of New market coats and wraps, and new line of cloaks and plush saques just received.

The neatest and prettiest thing for little folks that we have seen for a long time is the "Easy Book," a series of handsome little volumes issued by Scott Bros. & Co. It contains 50 pages reading matter for children, handsomely illustrated, and sold at the low price of 10 cents. See it at Scott Bros. & Co's.

If you want a bargain call and see Stiefel's overcoats, which are selling at \$3.50, \$4 and \$5, and a daisy at \$8. Call early.

A few STUDEBAKER WAGONS still on hand at

MANLEY & JORDAN'S.

The first "cold snap" of the season dropped in this week like a brick from a chimney; and on Wednesday night the mercury sank to 10 below.

Frost King Boots at J. Megaffin's.

A nice line of ladies' and gents' fancy slippers, also something new in boys' slippers. Come and see them at

H. G. WERNER'S.

A Sewing School will be opened in Room 25, Opera House, on Saturday, Dec. 4th, at 2 o'clock p. m. Instruction free to those who wish to avail themselves of its advantages.

Oh, yes, said she; I always go to Griggs' for everything I want in the holiday line. He has such a big stock and great variety that I can always find what I want for the whole family; and he sells so cheap that it pays me to take my ten mile drive.

## JEROME BAY

Furnishes a limited quantity of Oysters, but they have for themselves a distinct and peculiarly fine flavor. We have the pleasure of offering to you this brand, and at prices that are consistent with the quality and quantity you pay for.

JEROME BAY, EXTRA SELECTS, 40c per can.  
JEROME BAY, AS GOOD AS SELECTS, 30c per can.  
BALTIMORE STANDARDS, 25c per can.

The Best Twenty-five Cent Oyster in the City. Try them and be convinced.

## HAVE YOU TRIED ANY OF OUR

60c Finecut Tobaccos at 40 cents.  
80c Finecut Tobacco 60 cents.

W. C. RIALE & CO.

## HOME Insurance Company OF NEW YORK.

66th SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT,

JULY, 1886.

CASH CAPITAL, \$3,000,000.00  
Reserve for Re Ins. & all other liabilities, 3,239,060.10  
Net Surplus, 1,389,341.71  
Total Assets, \$7,628,401.81

Losses Paid at Ottawa Agency, \$18,391.17.

Losses Paid at the Great Fire in Chicago, \$3,155,116.12.

Total Losses Paid Since Organization:

\$38,923,570.14.

GEO. W. RAVENS, Agt. - S. E. Cor. P. O. Block.

\$2.50 PER DOZ.

W. S. WHEELER, wishing to make his patrons a Holiday Present, has reduced his Cabinet Photos to the above price. In addition, he has a few Composition Gold Frames, one of which he will give with every sitting for one dozen Cabinets. Come early and secure the frame.

### Still Ahead.

Year by year finds Scott Bros. & Co. enlarging and occupying more room. Their late enlargement of the Cloak and Millinery Rooms has proven to be a great success, for it makes the largest and best lighted cloak hall in this country. The sales in their cloak and millinery departments this fall have been unprecedented.

200 new cloaks will be sold at a bargain next week.

Replace the broken window panes in your houses by buying window glass and putty of Chas. M. Forbes.

### Remember

That we allow no one to undersell us in rubber goods.

D. LEAHY.

\$8 to \$10 buys a genuine sealskin cap—just the thing for a holiday present—at Oak Hall, north of Court House.

### Cutters.

We are going to have sleighing soon. Call at J. E. Porter's and get a cutter.

Rev. Gilbert Frederick, D.D., will preach in the Baptist church next Sunday, morning and evening.

Fine Toilet Slippers for the Holidays at J. Megaffin's.

Window glass and putty at Chas. M. Forbes.

Clark's Home-made Candy sells like hot cakes.

### Notice to Call and Settle.

All parties knowing themselves to be indebted to the firm of F. D. Sweetser & Co., on accounts and notes past due, are requested to call at the old stand and settle on or before January 1st, 1887. All accounts not paid or settled at that date will be placed in hands of attorney for collection.

F. D. SWEETSER & CO.

In another column will be found the advertisement of H. C. Yeager, who has recently come among us and opened a book store in the opera house block. He keeps a nice line of books at all prices, stationery, writing materials, scrap books, &c.

Scott Bros. & Co. have just received ten hundred books of 50 pages each, entitled "The Easy Book" (Sunshine series), published by the London Pictorial Society, printed on heavy tinted paper, with very fine engravings. Just the thing for little folks. Regular price 25c. Will be sold at 10c each, or the series of twelve volumes for \$1.00.

The C. B. & Q. passenger was detained at Dayton by three dead freights between Ottawa and that village. The road is doing an enormous business just now, and unless trains move promptly a blockade quickly results.

### The Farmers' Boys.

Now that husking and plowing is over there are a good many young men on farms who have plenty of time on their hands. We want a few of such to call at this office, and learn how to make a nice little "roll" of Christmas spending money. We want a good young man in each town, and we can show him how he can make from \$2 to \$5 during the next three months, and not work hard, either. One in each town, except Wallace and Dayton, which are occupied now—first come gets the job. THE FREE TRADER.

Stiefel's pantaloons overalls manufactures in Ottawa are the best made, and easy fitting. Try them.

A valuable premium is given to every subscriber who sends us a new subscriber—a premium for every subscriber. Send for the list of them.

You should see the Holiday Goods and get the prices, at City Drug Store.

### Auction Sales.

Parties contemplating making sales can secure the services of H. H. Newton, the auctioneer, by seeing Megaffin, the boot and shoe man, 24 Main street, Ottawa, Ill.

FOR SALE.—Two farms of about 190 acres each, within two miles of Ottawa, formerly constituting a part of the William C. Moore farm. Apply to C. Griggs, Ottawa, Ill.

### Farm for Sale.

The undersigned offers for sale the west half of section 4, Farm Ridge township, 320 acres. There is a gradual fall of about 15 feet from north to south in three fourths of a mile, giving it good drainage. It is well fenced and drained, with no waste land. Has a good house, orchard, two large barns, windmill, &c., in use as stock farm and well kept up—a bargain to a purchaser during 1886. Apply to or address,

Mrs. J. S. LUBBY,

South Ottawa.

Jacksonville, Fla., and New Orleans. The Burlington Route (C. B. & Q. R. R.) have on sale Winter tourists tickets to Jacksonville or New Orleans and return at extremely low rates. Passengers can have their choice of the different routes, all connections being made in Union depots. For rates and particulars call on or address

GEO. E. ROE, Agt.

See what we have, at

CITY DRUG STORE.

### WINDOW GLASS

AND PUTTY

AT CHAS. M. FORBES.

The ladies of St. Andrew's Episcopal church, of Farm Ridge, will give an oyster supper at the Farm Ridge Seminary on Wednesday evening next, December 8th, to which all are invited.